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S. C. STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION PROPOSES A CHANGE IN ITS DUES STRUCTURE FOR 1975

Proposal		Present Schedule	
Salaries to \$3,000	\$ 3.00	Salaries to \$2,000	\$ 2.00
\$ 3,001 - \$ 6,000	6.00	\$ 2,001 - \$ 3,000	3.00
\$ 6,001 - \$ 9,000	9.00	\$ 3,001 - \$ 5,000	4.00
\$ 9,001 - \$ 12,000	12.00	\$ 5,001 - \$ 7,000	5.00
\$ 12,001 - \$ 15,000	15.00	\$ 7,001 - \$ 10,000	6.00
\$ 15,001 - \$ 18,000	18.00	\$ 10,001 and over	10.00
Over \$18,000	21.00	Retired Members	1.00
		Associate	10.00

The proposal will generate an additional \$45,000 revenue if current membership remains the same. This additional income would permit additional services, and keep SCSEA's dues still the lowest in the nation. Now members pay an average of \$64.0 per year. The proposed average would be \$9.50.

The annual dues in Florida and Georgia, for instance, are \$12.00 per year. Members in North Carolina also pay \$12.00 annually.

FORM COMMITTEE ADOPTS PROCEDURE

The procedure as stated below has been agreed upon and approved by the Forms Committee of the Department of Youth Services in a meeting held January 28, 1975. Please assist and aid us in coordinating all development of agency, departmental, section, and sub-section forms to eliminate duplication of forms and the wasting of funds. In accordance with the procedure described below, all forms presently in use within the Department which have not been approved or submitted for approval should be submitted immediately for approval.

Procedure: All forms developed for use by a unit, department, regional office, etc. for internal or external use will be submitted to the Forms Committee with justification and/or explanation of use of the form and the proposed or projected cost and the number of forms to be used before implementation. These forms will be submitted to the Chairman of the Forms Committee. A meeting of the Forms Committee will be called upon receipt of the proposed form. Approval, disapproval or revision

of the proposed form will be decided upon at the meeting and immediate reaction given to submitting unit, department, etc.

*Doctor to patient: "Congratulations!  
The high price of butter, meat and eggs  
cleared up your cholesterol."*

SCYWA ELECTS OFFICERS FOR 1975

New officers were elected at the S. C. Youth Workers' Association's annual conference held on September 25-27, 1974 at the Landmark in Myrtle Beach, S. C. Under the guidelines of our newly adopted constitution, a governing board was also elected. The officers and governing board members are as follows:

\*Judge Felix Greene - President  
\*Ray Robinson - 1st Vice President  
\*Debra Brown - 2nd Vice President  
\*Camille Graham - Corresponding Secretary  
\*David Brown - Recording Secretary  
\*\*Gene Starr

\*\*Al Brodie  
\*\*Jim Hale  
\*\*Marshall Rollins  
\*\*\*Mamie McDade - Treasurer

\*Board Members - One Year Term  
\*\*Board Members - Two Year Term  
\*\*\*Not Board Member - One Year Term

Persons interested in joining the SCYWA, contact David Brown, Director of Court Services, Lexington County Family Court, P. O. Box 37, Lexington, S. C. 29072 - Telephone: 359-6155.

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#### DEPARTMENT HONORS EMPLOYEES FOR STATE SERVICE

Fifteen employees of the Department of Youth Services received service pins and certificates in honor of more than twenty years of service to the state of South Carolina.

The presentation was made in a ceremony at the William J. Goldsmith Reception and Evaluation Center Wednesday, February 12, at 1:30 p.m.

Receiving the 10-carat gold and amethyst pins were Melvyn E. Gleaton, Richard W. McCuen, Jack Shivers, Bowen W. Pressley, Claude A. Allen, Gwendolyn H. James, Odell W. Humphries and Bruce D. Trexler.

Also, Mary B. Siebert, Ardrow J. Vause, Myriam L. Robbins, William R. Matthews, Edward E. Shuler, Lois Bremer and Stanley P. Wright.

Mrs. Barbara T. Sylvester of Florence, board chairman, and Director Grady A. Decell made the pin presentations.

Mrs. Sylvester and other members of the nine-man agency board presented the certificates.

The program was designed to recognize and show appreciation to, those employees who have demonstrated their interest in serving the citizens of South Carolina through continued employment in state government.

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*Danny Thomas, commenting on the movies: "When I was a kid, a film was considered obscene if the horse wasn't wearing a saddle."*

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#### JOHN G. STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SCOUTING

The students of John G. Richards School for Boys this year are out to

become winners. Approximately 97%, or a total of 223 students registered for the Scouting Program in 1975. Registration campaign started in November and ended the middle of December.

There are four (4) active troops representing John G. Richards School. Troop 296 presently has 47 members and the Scoutmaster is Mr. Jason Ellison. His assistant is Mr. Joe A. Morales. Troop 297 now has 55 registered members and the Scoutmaster is Mr. Robert Fisette. Mr. Lonnie Williams is the Scoutmaster of Troop 298. This troop presently has 70 members. In 1972 Troop 298 was the recipient of the Presidential Unit Award.

Troop 299 has 51 registered members and Mr. Herbert L. Deese is the Scoutmaster. During the military years, Mr. Deese was an active volunteer adult scoutmaster. Mr. Deese was in charge of a bus load of scouts on a trip to Philmont Ranch, New Mexico, for 29 days.

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#### ACTIVITIES AT S.C. SCHOOL FOR BOYS

The basketball team from the School for Boys opened their season on Tuesday, January 28, with a 60-56 victory over Timmonsville First Baptist Church. Among the team leaders were Leroy Golden, Leroy Breland, Mike Beatty, and Craig Garrett.

Coach Cleveland James will send out the call for the pitchers and catchers in two weeks to begin baseball practice. Our team had a successful season last year and look forward to another good year.

The weekly honor rolls are enjoying local high school and college basketball as well as swimming at the new Francis Marion College pool.

Social Services: Social Services at the School for Boys consist of five (5) Social Workers, each assuming the caseload of the cottage to which he is assigned, and a Supervisor of Social Services.

The Social Workers are responsible for the formulation of individual treatment plans for approximately 40 students. He is further responsible for coordinating all phases of the treatment program designed for the student, helping determine the short and long-term needs and goals for each student, and seeing that the program established



for the student is implemented and adhered to. He must maintain a relationship with all areas of campus life which encourages a free exchange of ideas regarding the treatment process. He should provide individual counseling as indicated and keep case records up to date and factual. He is ultimately charged with the responsibility of helping children adjust to institutional life and habilitating them for a successful return to the community.

We feel the Social Workers at this school are meeting the needs of the children entrusted to our care and would like to express our appreciation for a job well done.

Religious Information: The latest development is we have started a survey Bible study class in the academic school with Chaplain James M. Pilgrim teaching the class. Two classes are being taught, one class on Monday and Thursday and another class on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday. The class is going real well and has been well received by the students.

We continue to try to improve our Boy Scout program. Boys are being referred to the scout troop by treatment teams. We plan to make use of the school's five (5) acres on Black Creek about five miles from our campus for scouting and camping purposes. We are still looking for some way to provide tents for camping. We may be nearing a solution to our need of camping tents. We have a good possibility which we hope will materialize.

We have a wonderful staff of ten regular Volunteer Sunday School teachers. We really don't want to lose any of them. We do have two teachers whose convictions cause them to feel they need to be involved in an activity in their church at the time of our Sunday School. We are looking for two teachers to take their place and plan to involve these teachers in an evening activity.

Medical Services: On January 7, 1975, the present Dental Care Program here at the School was expanded. At this time

when students are seen at T.E.C. Dental School, in addition to present procedures, they are also checked for cancer of the mouth, face, neck, and throat. As a result of this screening procedure, three (3) students have been referred to a surgeon for evaluation of findings. This service is valuable and is another step towards improving medical care for students confined to this school.

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#### MINUTES OF SCYWA's DECEMBER MEETING

The Board of Directors of the S. C. Youth Workers Association met in the afternoon on December 11, 1974 at the USC Law Center, Columbia, South Carolina. All nine members were present and Judge Felix Greene, President called the meeting to order.

Three items of business were discussed at this meeting. First, the following committees and committee chairmen were designated:

Publicity Committee - Debbie Brown  
S. C. Voc. Rehab.  
Programs, Workshops & Institutes -  
Al Brodie  
S. C. Dept. of Youth  
Services  
Legislative Committee - Jim Hale  
S. C. Voc. Rehab.  
Membership, Nominations & Elections -  
David Brown  
Lex. County Fam. Ct.

The other items discussed were the 1975 conference and spring workshops sometime in April or May. No definite plans were made concerning either item.

The meeting was adjourned with Judge Greene informing the board that he would schedule another meeting at a later date.

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*Chairman of the board to members: "To ensure your undivided attention, I'll announce at the end of the meeting who'll write the minutes."*

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#### ALL STATE AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS

This is to inform you that Mr. Henry L. Lake, Code Commissioner and Director of the Legislative Council, has retired. He has been replaced by Mr. Thomas S. Linton, who was elected Code Commissioner and Director of the Legislative Council on January 28, 1975.

#### GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES TO DONATE BLOOD

On Thursday, February 20, 1975, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., facilities will be set up in the ballroom of the Wade Hampton Hotel for use by state and county employees who wish to donate blood for the blood bank. Mr. Earl W. Mitchell, Director, Division of Emergency Health, State Board of Health, will be in charge.

I commend those who have made blood donations so willingly in the past and encourage continued support of this program. I hope those who have not participated before will do so on February 20, 1975.

Any assistance you can give by arranging suitable schedules for donors to be away from their duties during the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. will be appreciated.

#### RECREATION BOUNCES ON AT R&E

January has been a busy month for the recreation department at R&E. It all started on January 2, 1975, when we had the first annual "MUD BOWL". Four football teams from Dorm I and II took to the muddy field that had water flowing on it for a couple of hours. Mr. Bollacker, our Unit Coordinator, and Mr. Morrison, our Recreation Specialist, referred the first annual event and the players and spectators all enjoyed two hours of spectacular plays. Hot chocolate was served to the cold muddy players at the end of the games. Dorm I took both games 26-14 and 30-28.

On January 3, the whole campus met in the auditorium to dance to the music of "Whishful Thinking", a local band from Columbia brought to our center by Mr. Lee Jenkinson, youth counselor. The music was loud and everyone had a good time.

On January 4, the recreation department brought in a local coffeehouse jazz band (trio) from Columbia to sing and set the mood of the students. They sat and listened to the jazz music with interest and had many questions to ask the members of the trio after the concert was over. It was altogether different music than what the students were accustomed to.

On January 9, the basketball team went into action against B. Mod and Hampton Building. The outcome was a win for us 35-30.

On January 10, again we had a live band to play for the whole campus. This time the music was supplied by that fantastic band from CCI, "The New Coronets". This all-campus dance rocked the building for three hours and everyone enjoyed it.

On January 28, 29, and 30, we took advantage of the good weather and played softball. The field is not in good shape at this point of the season but with a little work, it was in playable condition so that Dorm #2 beat Dorm #1 in all three games. Dorm #2 was coached by Messrs. Counts and Northcutt.

On January 31, thirteen (13) students attended the John G. Richards Boxing Tournament at the gym.

#### AGENCY RENEWS FIRST OFFENDER CONTRACT

Richland County Family Court Judge J. McNary Spigner, Solicitor James C. Anders and S. C. Department of Youth Services Director Grady A. Decell will sign a contract renewing a first offender court diversionary program here Friday, February 21.

The ceremony will take place 12:15 p.m. in the County Council chambers. County Council chairman N. Welsh Morrisette, Jr., will preside over the ceremony.

The agreement, first of its kind in South Carolina, was designed to help rehabilitate children who have committed their first offense. Under terms of the agreement, children who voluntarily enter the program will be sent to other agencies for treatment rather than undergoing adjudication hearing at the Family Court. Court officials must feel it is in the child's--and the court's--best interests, however.

"The program keeps first offenders from going into an institution," said Decell. "Studies have shown that the longer and more often a child is institutionalized, the greater the chances are that he will become an adult criminal."

The Columbia Regional office of the Youth Bureau Division, S. C. Department of Youth Services, will monitor the program. The contract was first signed in 1974. Some 380 children have entered the program.



A similar contract was signed in January with the Charleston County Family Court. Members of County Council and the Richland Legislative Delegation have been invited to attend.

*A St. Paul wife served a macaroni casserole by candlelight, accompanied by a bottle of wine. When her husband asked what it was all about, she replied, "It's the first anniversary of our last steak."*

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#### KERSHAW COUNTY CHILD CARE CENTER OFFICIAL COMMENTS ON AGENCY STICKERS

Every since Barbara Boultinghouse (from Mather Academy) gave us one of the "Have You Hugged Your Kid Today" bumper stickers, we have had the inevitable requests.

I would really like to hand them out to the families we serve, our staff, and the other day care workers in the County. We could easily distribute a hundred of the stickers if you can spare that many for Kershaw County. Otherwise, we would be very appreciative of even one sticker.

It is a great idea and brings at least a moment of happiness into anyone who reads it...I imagine that the co-efficient of hugging children has even been raised around here!

Best wishes to you in your work.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM R&E

Mr. Edward Graves was recently hospitalized for an emergency appendectomy. He is now recuperating at home. We are looking forward to his returning to work.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George Fasano (Nanette) on the birth of a baby girl. The baby was born on February 7, 1975.

A Retirement Dinner was held February 11, 1975, at the Reception and Evaluation Center cafeteria for Mrs. Mary Keels and Mr. Bowen W. Pressley. After an enjoyable dinner, recognitions of the guest of honor was given. We wish them much success in their future endeavors. We'll miss them greatly!

Mrs. Doris Algood recently joined our staff as teacher's aide. We welcome her to our staff.

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#### GRADUATION AT WILLOW LANE

Willow Lane campus was the scene of another graduation of a Nurses' Aide class. On Sunday, February 2, 1975, the following students, Jean Jordan, Mary Artison, Cynthia Oyervides, and Brenda Owensby received their certificates. The program consists of 180 hours and is a combination of classroom instruction and practical work. The latter is done at Capitol Convalescent Home.

Mr. Edward C. Thomas, Deputy

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Director for Institutional Services, was the guest speaker. He encouraged the students to take advantage of what they had learned and use it for their benefit and the help of others. He emphasized the importance of education to all and challenged the students to continue their education in the Health Career Program.

Mrs. Mildred Hedgepath and Mrs. Audrey White of the Ladies Auxilary of the Gideon Society, presented each of the students with the Gideons' New Testament for Nurses.

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#### MY ADVENTURES AT THE TUTORIAL WORKSHOP Janice Hyatt

The first day I came to the Workshop I was sort of scared that nothing was going to work out. But after the first day, things started to work out for me. Take for instance, I could talk to Mr. Jolly about things I had on my mind that was keeping me from doing my best work. Well, you know, like problems at home. Mr. Jolly is my teacher. Well, he's one of my teachers. After about two weeks later, a lady came over to the Workshop. Her name is Joan. She came over to the Workshop to help Mr. Jolly. She's a real nice lady. I can talk to her about things that are bugging me. Well, let me tell you about the kids over at the Workshop. Well, some of them act like name kids anyway. I'll tell you about Sharon. She's a real nice girl. We are friends. We do some of our work together. I can sometimes do my work better with her than I can by myself. And there's

Troy. Man, he really acts like a kid. He shouts out when we are having a class meeting. He says, "break time, break time". Oh, I forgot to tell you what our class meetings are about. Well, we talk about what we are going to do for the next week and make goals. All sorts of stuff like that. I got to be a chairman one time. I was the Chairman of a Christmas program but some of the stupid kids wouldn't act right so I called the whole thing off.

There are about eight more students over at the Workshop. These are some of my adventures over at the Workshop.

Robert E. Lee's Birthday (January 20), George Washington's Birthday (February 17), Confederate Memorial Day (May 10), Jefferson Davis' Birthday (June 3), Independence Day (July 4), Labor Day (September 1), Veteran's Day (November 11), Thanksgiving Day (November 27), Christmas Day (December 25), Day After Christmas (December 26).

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM WILLOW LANE

Donna Levkoff, secretary at Willow Lane, announces the arrival of Seth Aaron, 7 lbs. 14 ozs. on January 28, 1975.

Willow Lane wishes to welcome Bunny Wages who will fill in for Mrs. Levkoff until she returns to work.

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The annual barbecue sponsored by the S. C. State Employees Association will be held on March 4, 1975, at the Shrine Club on I-26. Tickets may be purchased from your Board Members (J. P. Neal, Jr., Lois Bremer, and Virgil Barber) no later than February 28.

The S. C. State Employees Annual Convention will be held May 30, 31, and June 1, in Santee, S. C., at the Holiday Inn.

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*A telephone operator on duty on a long-lines switchboard put through a call from Las Vegas to France. After letting the phone ring 40 times, the operator asked the caller if the call should be canceled. "No, let it keep ringing," the caller said. "It's a very large castle."*

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#### STATE-OBSERVED HOLIDAYS FOR 1975

New Year's Day (January 1, 1975)